

## MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Carey M. Wright, Ed.D. State Superintendent of Education

March 20, 2019

The Honorable Shad White State Auditor State of Mississippi P.O. Box 956 Jackson, MS 39205-0956

Dear Mr. White:

The Mississippi Department of Education (MDE) is providing the following response and corrective action plan for the single audit findings for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018.

2018-001

Procedures over issuing sub recipient program review letter should be strengthened to ensure that the letters are issued within the 30-day program requirement.

## Response:

A. Specific steps to be taken to correct the situation.

The MDE will continue to strengthen the sub recipient program review by revising the Standard Operating procedures to advise staff of the process to document when an extension is needed for the program review letter. These procedures will follow the regulations allowance when extenuating circumstances exist. After the procedures are revised, existing staff will receive training and the procedures will be added to the training curriculum for new staff.

- B. Name of the contact person responsible for corrective action. Scott Clements – Director of Child Nutrition and Healthy Schools
- C. Anticipated completion date for corrective action: June 30, 2019

Sincerely,

Carey M. Wright, Ed.D.

State Superintendent of Education